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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 23 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Somalia*

Cyprus (S/1997/962, S/1997/973 and S/1997/997)**

Working methods of the Security Council

Other matters

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* Possibly followed by a formal meeting.

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MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 23 December 1997

Announcement

As from Thursday, 4 December 1997, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m. or upon completion of the Council's deliberations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

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The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/1998/L.1.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (906-5634) as soon as possible, but no later than 12 January 1998.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on UNDP funding strategy on Thursday, 8 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All interested delegations are invited.

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United Nations Children's Fund

Intersessional meeting

An intersessional meeting on budget matters will take place on Wednesday, 7 January 1998, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pre-session information briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on matters before the Executive Board at its first regular session for 1998 (26-28 and 30 January 1998) will take place on Friday, 16 January 1998, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

First Regular Session

The first regular session for 1998 of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 26 to 28 and 30 January 1998 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/1998/2.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Secretary of the Executive Board (326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than 21 January 1998. In accordance with rule 50(2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate with their credentials their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 18 December 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE — 44th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report (A/C.5/52/32)

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Uganda and Cuba.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

The representative of the United States made an oral proposal.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement and postponed the decision on this matter.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/52/24 and A/52/7/Add.6)

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the report of the Secretary-General and concur with the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.68 B: The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/52/33)

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that should it adopt draft resolution A/52/L.68 B, an additional appropriation of $4,007,700 would be required under section 3 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999; an additional appropriation of $327,300 would also be required under section 32, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment. These requirements will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.72: United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/C.5/52/36)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally presented the related report of that Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Germany, Cameroon and Uganda.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions responded to questions posed.

Following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee decided to postpone the decision on this question.

Report of the Secretary-General on the contingency fund: consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/52/35)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally presented the report of that Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt and Cuba.

The Controller responded to questions posed.

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Cameroon also made a statement.

In accordance with paragraph 5 of the annex to General Assembly resolution 42/211, and on the proposal of the

Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly the appropriation of the required amount of $245,200 under section 6, Legal Affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 as indicated in paragraph 2 of the document A/C.5/52/35; furthermore, the Fifth Committee requested the General Assembly to take note that a balance of $18,754,800 would remain in the contingency fund.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Report of the Secretary-General on revised estimates: Effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation (A/C.5/52/34)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally presented the report of that Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand and Cameroon.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates: Effect on changes in rates of exchange and inflation, as contained in document A/C.5/52/34.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Uganda and Latvia.

The Chairman also made a statement.

Other matters

The President of the General Assembly made a statement in connection with the programme of work of the Fifth Committee.

The Chairman also made a statement.

Friday, 19 December 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 45th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report (A/C.5/52/32)

The Chairman made a statement.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/52/L.72/Rev.1: United Nations reform: measures and proposals (A/C.5/52/36)

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to inform the General Assembly that should it adopt draft resolution A/52/L.72/Rev.1, the programme budget implications arising out of the draft resolution would be considered in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Ninth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on salary and retirement allowance of the Secretary-General and salary and pensionable remuneration of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (A/52/7/Add.8)

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions presented the report of that Committee.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it adopt the draft resolution contained in the annex to the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Report of the Secretary-General on the second performance report (A/C.5/52/32)

The Chairman made a statement and postponed the decision on this matter.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon and the Russian Federation.

Monday, 22 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3844th meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Letter dated 17 December 1997 from the Executive Chairman of the Special Commission established by the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 9 (b)(i) of Security Council resolution 687 (1991) addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1997/987)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1997/56).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

79th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 79th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1997/ 248).

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 46th meeting

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION ON
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
Sixth Session 1st meeting

Opening of the session

The temporary Chairman, H.E. Mr. Bagher Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), opened the session.

Election of Officers

The Commission elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Cielito Habito (Philippines) as Chairman.

The Commission elected, by acclamation, Mr. Michael Odevall (Norway), H.E. Mr. Rogatien Biaou (Benin) and Ms. Marta Galindo (Colombia) as Vice-Chairmen and postponed to a later session the election of one Vice-Chairman.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 20, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the States Parties at their eighth meeting on 22 May 1995

Acceptance: Mongolia (19 December 1997)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Amendment to article 43 (2) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted by the Conference of the States Parties on 12 December 1995

Acceptance: Mongolia (19 December 1997)*

Convention on Road Traffic, concluded at Vienna on 8 November 1968

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

79th plenary meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council(A/52/3) [12]

The General Assembly took note of chapters I, II, III, IV, V (sections A, B, D and H), VI, VII of the report of Economic and Social Council (A/52/3).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of the chapters of the report of Economic and Social Council assigned to the plenary (A/52/3).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 12.

Reports of the Fifth Committee

The Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee introduced the reports of the Fifth Committee on agenda items 12, 113 to 115, 119 to 121, 135, 137, 153, 160 and 116.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/729) [12]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 4 of its report (A/52/729).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of those chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council allocated to the Fifth Committee.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 12.

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/732) [113]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/732) (resolution 52/212).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 113.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/746) [114]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/52/746).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 114.

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/743) [115]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/743) (resolution 52/213 (A and B)).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 115.

Pattern of conferences: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/734) [119]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/52/734) (resolution 52/214).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 119.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/745) [120]

The Chairman of the Fifth Committee made a statement.

The representative of Liechtenstein made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of the Netherlands made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/745) (resolution 52/215 (A to D)).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 120.

United Nations common system: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/735) [121]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/52/735) (resolution 52/216).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 121.

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/724) [135]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/724) (resolution 52/217).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 135.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/726) [137]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/726) (resolution 52/218).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 137.

Human resources management: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/739) [153]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/52/739) (resolution 52/219).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 153.

Admission of the International Seabed Authority to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension fund: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/718) [160]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/52/718).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 160.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: report of the Fifth Committee (A/52/744) [116]

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I, II (A to C), III, IV and V recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/52/744) (resolutions 52/220, 52/221(A to C), 52/222, 52/223 and 52/224).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the Russian Federation, Uganda and Ukraine.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 116.

Programme of work

The General Assembly decided to retain the following items on the agenda of its fifty second session:

Item 10	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization
Item 11	Report of the Security Council
Item 16 (b)	Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination
Item 17 (g)	Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee
Item 17 (j)	Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit
Item 19	Admission of new Members to the United Nations
Item 20 (b)	Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions
Item 21	Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly
Item 24	Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal
Item 36	Question of Palestine
Item 37	The situation in the Middle East
Item 39	Oceans and the law of the sea
Item 43	The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security
Item 44	The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti
Item 45	The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development
Item 47	The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Item 57	The situation in Burundi
Item 58	Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields
Item 59	Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters
Item 60	Strengthening of the United Nations system
Item 61	Question of Cyprus
Item 73	Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session
Item 83	Rationalization of the work and reform of the agenda of the First Committee
Item 95 (a)	Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries
Item 104	International drug control
Item 106	Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women
Item 112 (d)	Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action
Item 113	Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors
Item 114	Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations
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Item 118	Joint Inspection Unit
Item 119	Pattern of conferences
Item 120	Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations
Item 121	United Nations common system
Item 122	Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East
Item 123	Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission
Item 124	Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991)
Item 125	Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara
Item 126	Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia
Item 127	Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters
Item 128	Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II
Item 129	Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique
Item 130	Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus
Item 131	Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia
Item 132	Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti
Item 133	Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia
Item 134	Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda
Item 135	Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991
Item 136	Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan
Item 137	Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994
Item 138	Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina
Item 139	Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium

Item 140 Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force

Item 141 Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti

Item 142 Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Item 143 Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Item 153 Human resources management

Item 154 Financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala

Item 157 United Nations reform: measures and proposals

Item 159 Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola

The President made a statement.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 46th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [115]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Final budget appropriations for the biennium 1996-1997 (A/C.5/52/L.20)

The Chairman made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.20.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999) (A/C.5/52/L.18)

The representative of Argentina, Coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.18.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Cuba, Austria, France, Mexico, Papua New Guinea, Brazil, the Islamic Republic of Iran, China, Uganda, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Ukraine and Cameroon.

The Director of the Budget Division responded to questions posed.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution as orally revised.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), India, the Syrian Arab Republic, New Zealand (on behalf of Australia, Canada and New Zealand), Japan, Cuba, Pakistan, Panama and the United States.

Draft report of the Fifth Committee on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (A/C.5/52/L.19 Parts I and II)

The Rapporteur introduced draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.19 (Parts I and II).

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Papua New Guinea, Brazil, the Bahamas, Pakistan, Mexico and Saudi Arabia.

The Director of the Budget Division responded to questions posed.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [120]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairman also introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.5/52/L.17.

Statements were made by the representatives of Fiji, the United States, Cuba, Brazil, the Russian Federation, Indonesia, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Poland, Hungary, Lithuania, the Czech Republic and Romania), Singapore, Bahrain, the Bahamas, Uruguay, Japan, Canada, Estonia (on behalf of the Baltic Countries), Australia, China, Latvia, Turkey, Kuwait, New Zealand (on behalf of Australia, Canada and New Zealand), India, Trinidad and Tobago, Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Mexico, the Philippines and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution as orally revised.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Ukraine, the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [114]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman introduced draft decisions A/C.5/52/L.15 and A/C.5/52/L.16.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decisions.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Completion of the work of the Fifth Committee for the main part of the 52nd regular session of the General Assembly

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines (on behalf of ASEAN), Argentina (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States), Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and Group of Western European and Other States), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Cameroon (on behalf of the Group of African States), the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Japan, the United States, Turkey, Paraguay (on behalf of the Rio Group), Viet Nam (on behalf of the Group of Asian States) and Papua New Guinea.

The Chairman made a statement and declared closed the work of the Fifth Committee at the main part of the 52nd regular session of the General Assembly.

Tuesday, 23 December 1997

SECURITY COUNCIL

3845th meeting

The situation in Somalia

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1997/57).

3846th meeting

The situation in Cyprus

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/1997/962 and Add. 1)

Report of the Secretary-General on his mission of good offices in Cyprus (S/1997/973)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1997/997, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1997/997).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1997/997) received 15 votes in favour, none against, and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1146 (1997).

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, concluded at Montego Bay, Jamaica, on 10 December 1982

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Agreement relating to the Implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 28 July 1994

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

PROGRAMME ET ORDRE DU JOUR DES SÉANCES ET DES RÉUNIONS

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 25 December 1997

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 25 December, official holiday, and Friday 26 December 1997.]

SÉANCES PRÉVUES AU CALENDRIER

Jeudi 25 décembre 1997

[Aucune séance n'est prévue au Siège *aujourd'hui* 25 décembre, jour férié, ainsi que le vendredi 26 décembre 1997.]

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Monday, 29 December 1997

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Argentina
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H.E. Mr. Jacques Louis Boisson

AVIS

Présidents des groupes régionaux

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International Agreement for the Establishment of the University for Peace, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 5 December 1980

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[TRAITÉS MULTILATÉRAUX DÉPOSÉS AUPRÈS DU SECRÉTAIRE GÉNÉRAL]

Accord international portant création de l'Université pour la paix, adopté par l'Assemblée générale des Nations Unies le 5 décembre 1980

Adhésion : Argentine (29 décembre 1997*)

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

PROGRAMME ET ORDRE DU JOUR DES SÉANCES ET DES RÉUNIONS

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 31 December 1997

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 31 December 1997.]

SÉANCES PRÉVUES AU CALENDRIER

Mercredi 31 décembre 1997

[Aucune séance n'est prévue au Siège *aujourd'hui* 31 décembre 1997.]

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1997 session at United Nations Headquarters from 12 to 16 January 1998, in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1997/1.

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1997/297, the Committee will also meet at United Nations Headquarters from 19 to 23 January 1998, to consider enlargement of the Committee and issues related to the Committee's methods of work.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 1998 and in particular on document DP/1998/3 on the review of policy implications of change on core and non-core funding. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

RÉUNIONS À VENIR

CONSEIL ÉCONOMIQUE ET SOCIAL

Le Comité chargé des organisations non gouvernementales tiendra la reprise de sa session de 1997 au Siège du 12 au 16 janvier 1998 dans la salle de conférence 4. L'ordre du jour figure dans le document E/C.2/1997/1.

Conformément à la décision 1997/297 du Conseil écono- mique et social, le Comité se réunira également au Siège du 19 au 23 janvier 1998 pour examiner la question de l'élargissement de la composition du Comité et les questions relatives aux méthodes de travail du Comité.

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Conseil d'administration du Programme des Nations Unies pour le développement et du Fonds des Nations Unies pour la population

Le Conseil d'administration du PNUD et du FNUAP tiendra des consultations officieuses préalables à la session sur toutes les questions dont la première session de 1998 sera saisie et en particulier sur le document DP/1998/3 relatif à l'examen des conséquences générales des modifications du financement des activités de base et des activités autres que les activités de base. La séance aura lieu le mardi 6 janvier 1998 à 15 heures dans la salle du Conseil économique et social. Les délégations intéressées sont invitées.

The first regular session 1998 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 19 to 23 January 1998 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The session will resume on Monday, 26 January 1998, at 3 p.m. for a joint meeting with the Executive Board of UNICEF.

The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/1998/L.1.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (906-5634) as soon as possible, but no later than 12 January 1998.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on UNDP funding strategy on Thursday, 8 January 1998, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. All interested delegations are invited.

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United Nations Children's Fund

Intersessional meeting

An intersessional meeting on budget matters will take place on Wednesday, 7 January 1998, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pre-session information briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on matters before the Executive Board at its first regular session for 1998 (26-28 and 30 January 1998) will take place on Friday, 16 January 1998, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

First Regular Session

The first regular session for 1998 of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 26 to 28 and 30 January 1998 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/1998/2.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Secretary of the Executive Board (326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than 21 January 1998. In accordance with rule 50(2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate with their credentials their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

La première session ordinaire de 1998 du Conseil d'administration du PNUD et du FNUAP se tiendra du 19 au 23 janvier 1998 dans la salle du Conseil économique et social. La session reprendra le lundi 26 janvier 1998 à 15 heures pour une séance commune avec le Conseil d'administration de l'UNICEF.

L'ordre du jour provisoire, les annotations, la liste des documents et le plan de travail figurent dans le document DP/1998/L.1.

Les délégations et les observateurs sont priés de faxer leurs pouvoirs au secrétariat du Conseil d'administration (906-5634) le plus tôt possible mais au plus tard le 12 janvier 1998.

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Programme des Nations Unies pour le développement

Le Programme des Nations Unies pour le développement tiendra des consultations officieuses sur la stratégie de financement du PNUD le jeudi 8 janvier 1998 de 15 heures à 18 heures dans la salle de conférence 5. Les délégations intéressées sont invitées.

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Fonds des Nations Unies pour l'enfance

Réunion intersessions

Une réunion intersessions sur les questions budgétaires aura lieu le mercredi 7 janvier 1998 à 15 heures dans la salle de conférence 6. Toutes les délégations intéressées sont invitées.

Réunion d'information de présession

Une réunion d'information de présession sur les questions dont le Conseil d'administration sera saisi à sa première session ordinaire de 1998 (26 au 28 et 30 janvier 1998) aura lieu le vendredi 16 janvier 1998 à 10 heures dans la salle du Conseil économique et social. Toutes les délégations intéressées sont invitées.

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